



General Assembly

February Session, 2002

***Raised Bill No. 365***

LCO No. 1554

Referred to Committee on Public Safety

Introduced by:  
(PS )

***AN ACT ENSURING THE SAFETY OF VACANT BUILDINGS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2002*) If a building or portion of  
2       a building whose electricity usage is metered separately from other  
3       portions of the building has been unoccupied for a period of at least six  
4       months, the local building official, upon the request of the electric  
5       distribution company authorized to provide electric distribution  
6       services to the service area in which such building is located, shall  
7       determine whether the electrical configuration and wiring of the  
8       building or portion of the building have remained unchanged during  
9       the period of vacancy, and shall authorize the electric distribution  
10      company to resume delivery of electricity to the building or portion of  
11      the building only if such building official determines that the electrical  
12      configuration and wiring comply with the State Building Code and the  
13      regulations lawfully adopted under said code.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2002</i>

***Statement of Purpose:***

To ensure that the electrical system of buildings that have been vacant for six months or more remains safe.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*